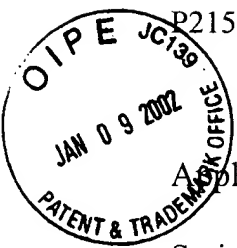


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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby directs the Examiner's attention to the following documents which are cited in the International Search Report issued in connection with International Application No. PCT/JP00/02303 and/or cited in the specification at pages 1-3:

JP 63-98958 A, and English language abstract thereof;

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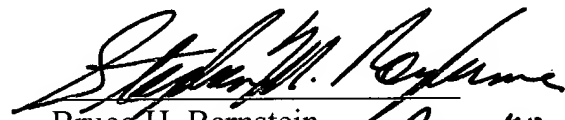
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Copies of the above-noted documents are attached, together with a copy of the International Search Report in English, the International Preliminary Examination Report in Japanese, and a duly completed Form PTO-1449. The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider each of these documents, and to make them of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the Form PTO-1449. Further, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with this application.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding this matter, the undersigned may be contacted at the below-listed telephone number.

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